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 TAGS: SENV, UR
 SUBJ: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT, POLLUTION IN THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT

1. REQUEST EMBASSY TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO V. DUBCHAK, CHIEF, TECHNICAL ADMINISTRATION, MINISTRY OF THE MERCHANT MARINE OF THE USSR:

2. "DEAR MR. DUBCHAK: THANK YOU FOR YOUR EARLY REPLY TO MY INITIAL LETTER. I AM PLEASED THAT YOU ARE AGREEABLE TO THE PROGRAM WHICH WE HAVE DEVELOPED AND I CONCUR WITH YOUR DELETION OF SAN FRANCISCO.

3. SINCE WRITING TO YOU LAST, A CONFLICT HAS DEVELOPED WITH THE PROPOSED DATE FOR YOUR ARRIVAL. CONSEQUENTLY, WE REQUEST THAT YOU DELAY YOUR ARRIVAL UNTIL 14 MAY 1973. YOUR REQUEST FOR A TWO WEEK STAY IS QUITE AGREEABLE TO US. UNFORTUNATELY, WE WILL BE UNABLE TO UNDERTAKE THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM WITHOUT AN EXCHANGE OF CURRENCY. OUR STATUTORY LIMITATIONS PRECLUDE US FROM FUNDING YOUR STAY IN THE UNITED STATES. IN ORDER TO AMELIORATE THIS SITUATION WE WILL BE PROVIDING A COAST GUARD AIRCRAFT FOR TRAVEL WITHIN THE U.S., AND HOUSING, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR DELEGATION.

4. AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE INVITING DR. A. K. KARAEV OF THE MINISTRY OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INITIAL COMBINED MEETING IN NEW LONDON. YOU MAY WISH

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TO CONTACT HIM TO COORDINATE YOUR ARRIVAL. I WILL BE
CONTACTING DR. KARAEV IN A SEPARATE LETTER.

5. I HOPE THAT THE CHANGE IN DATE OF THE MEETING MEETS
WITH YOUR APPROVAL. PLEASE CONTACT ME WHEN YOU KNOW THE
EXACT DETAILS OF YOUR ARRIVAL IN THE U.S., SO THAT WE
MAY HAVE SOMEONE MEET YOU AT THE AIRPORT. I LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU AT OUR MAY MEETING. SINCERELY, S. A. WALLACE,
CAPT., USCG, CHIEF, MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DIVISION, U.S. COAST GUARD HEADQUARTERS, WASH. D.C." ROGERS

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